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## REPORT SERBS HAVE RECAPTURED USKUP

French Troops Are Holding the Line of Krivolak, Padovista and Strumitsa

GERMAN FORCES ADVANCE IN THE NORTHEAST

Serbs Are Being Attacked From Three Sides in the Northeast, and Are Retiring in Good Order—French Have Already Landed 150,000 Men With One Hundred Guns at Saloniki—Whereabouts of the British Troops Remains a Secret—Except Around Riga and Dvinsk There Has Been No Heavy Fighting in the East.

London, Oct. 28, 9:45 p. m.—Outside of the German official statement which records the advance of the Austro-German forces and the capture by the Bulgarians of Zaječar and Kraljevo, both on the Tzink river northeast of Nish, and the heights of Piro, almost directly east of Nish, there is little or no authentic news of the invasion of Serbia.

### Serbian Recapture Uskup.

There are reports, however, that the Serbs have recaptured Uskup, which is not improbable if, as Saloniki dispatches report, the French hold the line of Krivolak, Padovista and Strumitsa, for, with an army there, the Serbs at Velez, Uskup would form a dangerous barrier.

### Serbs Retire in Good Order.

For the moment the danger spot for the Serbs is the northeast corner, where they are being attacked from three sides and must eventually fall back toward the southwest. Thus far they have been retiring in good order and despite the seriousness of the situation, optimism prevails in Serbian quarters in London, which are probably best able to judge of the assistance being sent by France, Great Britain and Russia.

### 150,000 French Troops Landed.

The French, according to German despatches, have already landed 150,000 men, with one hundred guns at Saloniki. While the whereabouts of the British reinforcements remains a secret, that they are of considerable size may be judged from the fact that, although General Sir Charles G. Murray, recently appointed to command the Gallipoli operations, is already on the spot, the government has decided to send Major General Sir Douglas Haig, who commanded the columns which relieved Mafeking in the South African war, to cooperate with the French.

### Anxiety About Greece.

Greater anxiety exists as to the attitude of Greece. It is known that Austria, Germany and Bulgaria have seriously considered the continued hospitality shown the allies at Saloniki and one account goes so far as to say that the Greek government has asked the allies to leave Greece. Against this is the quoted assurance given by the Greek minister at Paris to the French government that Greece has no intention of committing any hostile act toward the allied troops.

### German Attack Near Riga.

Except around Riga and Dvinsk, where the Germans are renewing their efforts to reach the Dvina river, and near Czarysk, on the Syr, there has been no heavy fighting in the Russian arena. Engagements on a small scale have taken place near Riga, and it is reported that the Germans are attacking in a new direction. Hitherto their main attacks have been from the south and southwest of that city where they were checked. On the Syr and in Galicia, the German offensive, according to the Russian report, has been stopped.

### REMOVING MINES FROM THE DANUBE RIVER.

To Renew Traffic Between Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey.

Austrian Army Headquarters, via London, Oct. 28, 7:45 p. m.—The junction of the Danube and the occupation of the last Serbian positions on the Danube means the speedy reopening of that river for traffic.

Numerous vessels are now engaged in removing the mines and other obstructions, and communication between Hungary and Bulgaria and Turkey will begin forthwith, although travel by river will necessarily be slower than by the all-rail route through mid-Serbia. The entire re-establishment of traffic is expected within a few weeks.

### BULGARIANS OCCUPY SOUTHERN MACEDONIA.

Have Established Their Own Government There.

Sofia, Oct. 28, via London Oct. 28, 3:18 a. m.—The occupation of Southern Macedonia is an accomplished fact, according to advices received here. South of the Trany-Katchana line the Bulgarians, reports say, either have established their authority or the Macedonians, who have risen against the Serbs, have installed their own local governments, subject to the approval of the authorities.

### NOT TO GIVE IMMUNITY TO GOODS OF AN ENEMY.

Suggestion is Repudiated in the House of Commons.

London, Oct. 28, 9 p. m.—Sir Edward Grey, the foreign minister, replying today to a question in the house of commons, repudiated the suggestion that the government had decided to give immunity in goods of an enemy country, contracted before June 10th. The government, said Sir Edward, had declared their intention not to interfere with the shipment from neutral ports of goods of an enemy country.

## Cabled Paragraphs

Czar at Southern Front. Petrograd, via London, Oct. 29, 4:45 a. m.—The Russian emperor, accompanied by Crown Prince Alexis has gone to the southern front.

Bulgarians Occupy Port Danube. Amsterdam, via London, Oct. 29, 3:45 a. m.—A despatch from the Bulgarian news agency says that the Bulgarians have occupied Port Danube and captured Kosik.

Increase in Recruiting. London, Oct. 28, 2:05 p. m.—There has been a great increase in recruiting throughout the country during the past week, according to a number of newspapers. The Morning Post says that recruiting is now going on at a higher rate than any reached since the early months of the war.

## 26-HOUR CONTINUOUS TALK FOR SUFFRAGE.

Final Campaign Effort to Be Made by Party.

New York, Oct. 28.—The last campaign before the woman suffrage amendment goes to the vote next Tuesday will end with a 26-hour continuous speaking performance to be held under the auspices of the woman suffrage party at Columbus circle beginning at 10 o'clock tomorrow night and ending at 12 o'clock Saturday night. The suffrage party will hold the night theatre crowds, the late going home persons, the early morning going to business workers, the night laboring crowds and the morning audiences. Other persons are invited too. Besides this, the subway will contribute plenty of people for an audience, and the trolley cars and passing automobiles will add hearers every hour, according to the suffragists. Sixty speakers will take part in the demonstration.

## DECAPITATED GIRL NOT A VICTIM OF THUGS.

Pittsburgh Police Find Jewelry Near Where Body Was Found.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 28.—The police after a complete investigation said tonight said that Miss Sophie McCallin, late secretary of the late William C. McCallin, former mayor of Pittsburgh, whose decapitated body was found on the tracks of the railroad tracks was not a victim of thugs. The authorities first believed that she might have been attacked and robbed of jewelry valued at \$2,000 and her body thrown on the tracks to hide the crime but the finding of the jewelry late today near the place where the body was found, caused this theory to be abandoned. Morgue attaches said the condition of the body indicates that Miss McCallin had been run down by a train while crossing the tracks.

## STATE TO INVESTIGATE PEABODY SCHOOL DISASTER.

Governor Walsh Expressed Sympathy for Afflicted Families.

Boston, Oct. 28.—Governor Walsh tonight issued a statement in which he said that a rigid investigation of the Peabody school disaster would be made by the state. The statement follows: "I was grieved to learn of the extent of the Peabody disaster. It is horrible to think of those young children suffering and dying in that awful manner. I wish to express my deepest sympathy to the afflicted families and to the authorities of the town and the school. The people may rest assured that a rigid investigation into the affair will be conducted by the state. It seems almost incredible that the fire could have spread with such rapidity."

## AMERICAN CATTLEMAN KILLED BY VILLA OFFICER.

Became Involved in a Dispute While Rounding Up Cattle.

El Paso, Texas, Oct. 28.—Charles Boone, of Rodeo, N. M., was killed yesterday by a Villa officer. Boone, 75 miles from Juarez, according to Boone's partner, Patrick Walsh, who escaped on a locomotive, reaching here tonight, Boone and his partner were rounding up cattle when Boone became involved in a dispute with a Villa colonel. Boone is the second American cattleman to be killed in western Chihuahua by Villa soldiers.

## T. ST. JOHN GAFFNEY TO RETURN IN NOVEMBER.

Expected That Sir Roger Casement Will Accompany Him.

London, Oct. 28, 2:49 a. m.—The Morning Post's Bernese, Switzerland, correspondent says that T. St. John Gaffney, until recently American consul-general in Munich, will return to the United States in November and that it is expected Sir Roger Casement, who has been in London for some time devoting himself to his former cause of the cause of Irish freedom, will accompany Mr. Gaffney for an American lecture tour.

## TWO EARTH SHOCKS AT ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Houses Were Shaken and People Aroused from Sleep.

Asheville, N. C., Oct. 28.—Two distinct earth shocks were felt here at 12:25 o'clock this morning. The shocks came about two minutes apart and lasted only a few seconds each. Houses were shaken and many people were aroused from sleep. Telephone inquiries from various points in the surrounding country indicated that the shock was general. No serious damage is reported.

## SENATOR O'GORMAN TO VOTE FOR SUFFRAGE.

And Against the Revised New York State Constitution.

New York, Oct. 28.—United States Senator James A. O'Gorman announced tonight that he would vote for woman suffrage and against the revised state constitution at the coming election. "My sympathies go out to the women of the state who are struggling for the denial of justice," he said. "I shall vote for the woman's suffrage amendment."

## Serbian King Going to Italy.

Amsterdam, Oct. 28, via London, 7:57 p. m.—A telegram from Budapest to the Cologne Volks-Zeitung said that King Peter of Serbia will probably leave that country and go to Italy.

## Escaped Germans Captured at Sea.

ACCORDING TO A LETTER RECEIVED IN NEW YORK

BY A BRITISH WARSHIP

Story is That the Warship Overtook the Yacht Eclipse, Took the German Officers Prisoners and Then Sunk the Yacht.

New York, Oct. 28.—The six officers of the German raider Kromprinz Wilhelm, who escaped from Norfolk, Va., October 10 in the yacht Eclipse, were captured at sea by a British warship, according to information received in a letter received here today. The letter was sent to William Wolff, a New York manufacturer, by his mother-in-law, who was in charge of the steamer Bermuda which left New York for Hamilton last Wednesday.

Wireless Communication. According to the letter, the Bermuda was stopped a short distance from its destination by a British cruiser, which engaged the passenger vessel in wireless conversation. The substance of the talk as told by the wireless operator of the Bermuda was that the cruiser, the identity of which is not given, had overtaken the missing Eclipse at sea, made prisoners of the German officers and sunk the yacht. The letter gives no other details.

Reports have been current in shipping circles here for several days that the yacht had been captured by a British cruiser believed to have been H. M. S. Melbourne.

## AVIATOR KENDRICK LOST HIS WAY IN DENSE FOG.

While Attempting to Fly from Albany to Cape Hatteras.

Ocean City, Md., Oct. 28.—Bryl H. Kendrick, who left Albany, N. Y., at 8:30 o'clock this morning in a hydro-aeroplane in an attempt to fly to Cape Hatteras, N. C., lost his way in a dense fog after passing Sea View, N. J., and when overtaken by darkness was obliged to land in Assawomuck bay, near here. The hydro-aeroplane was abandoned and Kendrick, with his machine, will leave tomorrow for New York.

Kendrick followed the Hudson river from Albany to New York city and then flew down the New York coast. Several stops were made during the day for gas and to adjust machinery. The last one being in the Atlantic ocean 18 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras. Sighting a fishing smack off shore, the aviator landed near by and replenished his supply of fuel from the fisherman. Other stops were made at Poughkeepsie, Dobbs Ferry and Atlantic Highlands.

## RUSSIA SEEKING TO ESTABLISH CREDIT LOAN.

Similar to the One Recently Floated for Great Britain and France.

New York, Oct. 28.—Agents of the Russian government, it was reliably reported here today, are seeking to establish a loan of 100,000,000 francs, somewhat similar to the recent \$500,000,000 Anglo-French credit loan—although no bond issue is contemplated—of from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000, and more, if it can be obtained.

Details of the proposed loan were leaked in one quarter it was reported that the Russian government was willing to pay as high as 9 per cent. interest for a loan of this size. Kendrick added that the loan probably would be for 18 months and would be in the neighborhood of \$5,000,000. It is said that negotiations looking toward the establishment of the loan have been under way for some time and that a different announcement might be forthcoming soon. This, however, could not be confirmed.

## PIER 14 AT SEATTLE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Was of Incendiary Origin and Had Been Set Afire Twice Before.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 28.—Fire, supposedly of incendiary origin, destroyed tonight Pier 14 at the foot of Broad street, occupied by Dowell and Company, Ltd., agents for the Blue Funnel Line of British steamers, with much valuable merchandise, including a loss of probably over half million dollars. Two alleged attempts to destroy Pier 14 by fire were made early last Tuesday. Both fires were extinguished in the early morning. The fire on the pier was booked on top of rolls of paper. Fire department officials said they believed these fires originated from a time fuse.

In the blaze tonight Japanese and Chinese merchandise, just arrived on the steamer Ision, was destroyed. Part of the Ision's cargo of silk, valued at \$200,000, had been sent east. The Blue Funnel Line steamers have been taking barbed wire, machinery and implements of war across the Pacific. The Ision on her next trip was booked to stop at Vladivostok with supplies for Russia.

## 6,500 U. S. SOLDIERS ON GUARD AT AGUA PRIETA.

Where Big Battle of Mexicans Is Expected to Begin Saturday.

Douglas, Ariz., Oct. 28.—Approximately 6,500 United States soldiers will be on guard when the expected attack on Agua Prieta, opposite here, by the Villa forces takes place. Military men tonight believe the attack will begin Saturday night or early Sunday.

The first battalion of the Seventh United States Infantry arrived tonight from El Paso. One section of the Twelfth Infantry was expected during the night.

## Theft from Attorney General's Office.

Hartford, Conn., Oct. 28.—The theft of \$1 in change from a paper in the attorney general's office in the high capital, discovered today, has aroused Superintendent Wilson to investigate. It is believed the money was taken by a thief who had access to the building.

## Reassured at Suffrage Rally.

Crane, N. Y., Oct. 28.—Former President Theodore Roosevelt, in a letter read at a rally in behalf of woman suffrage here tonight, reiterated a belief in the extension of suffrage to women and assured them of his support of their efforts.

## General Revival in Iron Trade.

EVERY BLAST FURNACE WORKING DAY AND NIGHT

ALL STEEL MILLS BUSY

Deluged With Orders Since the Middle of August—Pig Iron Has Increased 35 Per Cent. in Price and a Further Rise is Looked For.

New York, Oct. 28.—So great has been the sudden and general revival in the iron and steel trade of the United States, it was said by authorities today, that with virtually every blast furnace and steel mill in the country working night and day its capacity, the demand for iron, steel and steel products cannot be satisfied and it is today almost impossible to buy, for immediate delivery, any pig iron, any scrap or any ingots in salable quantities at any industrial plant in the country.

## Orders Still Coming.

The revival began about the first of last July, has been coming on rapidly, with a deluge of orders since the middle of August and may not yet have reached its high mark. Within these three months the price of pig iron, long regarded as the barometer of trade, has increased approximately 25 per cent. and that of steel and steel products—except steel rails—has gone up about 15 per cent.

## 500,000 Tons a Year.

Steel and steel products are rolling out of the mills today at the rate of 500,000 tons a year. It is conservatively estimated, and iron is being manufactured at the rate of forty million tons. Yet with all the present activity the demand, it is estimated, especially the foreign demand, that it is virtually today impossible to buy for immediate delivery.

## Further Rises in Prices Expected.

Prices have increased somewhat slowly, it is said, but there seems to be every indication that further rises are on the way. At the present time it is estimated there are employed in the iron and steel industry approximately 235,000 men.

## BANK MESSENGER SAYS HE WAS HELD UP.

George Bancroft Charges Men Forced Him to Give an Order for \$2500.

New York, Oct. 28.—On complaint of George Bancroft, of the banking firm of George Bancroft & Co., 15 Beaver street, Don Collins, who said he was a salesman, of 300 West 49th street, was arrested today by Detectives Heals and Kelly and locked up in police headquarters on a charge of grand larceny.

According to Bancroft, on October 19, when in the University hotel, 47th street and Sixth avenue, several men, among them Collins, who represented himself as a police officer, and who pointed a revolver at his head, forced him to sign two papers, each calling for the payment of \$2,500 on demand. Soon after, Bancroft charges, he was seized by telephone that a messenger was on the way to his office for the first payment of \$2,500. This amount, he says was paid to the messenger.

When the second payment was demanded, Bancroft communicated with the district attorney's office and Assistant District Attorney Embree was assigned to the case. He went with Bancroft to police headquarters, where the police say the banker picked out Collins's picture in the Rogues Gallery.

## BOY REPUDIATES ALLEGED CONFESSION OF MURDER.

Charged with Killing His Employer, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Nichols.

New York, Oct. 28.—Onnie Talas, the young house boy on trial charged with complicity in the murder of his wealthy employer, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Nichols, took the stand in his own defense today and repudiated an alleged confession made to the police, testifying that when he did make a statement the police had kept him awake so long with a rapid fire of questions that he was too exhausted to think of anything but to get out of there.

Nichols is alleged to have been murdered by Walton and two other men who robbed her of several thousand dollars' worth of jewelry. Talas told of being bound by the three men when he admitted them, believing they called to see a housemaid. He said he was too tired to resist and was too exhausted to think of anything but to get out of there.

## \$400,000 WAREHOUSE FIRE AT BALTIMORE.

By Hard Work the Firemen Saved Two Grain Elevators.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 28.—The United States bonded warehouse on Piers 24 and 25 of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Locust Point, was destroyed by fire tonight. Records were destroyed and estimates of the value of the contents of the warehouse varied between \$300,000 and \$400,000. The building and piers were valued at \$150,000.

By hard work the firemen kept the flames from two grain elevators 200 feet away, which contained \$500,000 worth of grain. Most of the contents of the warehouse had come recently from London and Liverpool. The fire is thought to have started from crossed wires.

## OBITUARY.

William M. Frew.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 28.—William M. Frew, wealthy attorney, assistant to Andrew Carnegie and former chairman of the board of the directors of the Carnegie steel company, died at his home here tonight. He had been ill for more than a year. He was 61 years old.

## Football Injuries Prove Fatal.

Philadelphia City, Oct. 28.—Clark Marshall, 17 years of age, of Robert, Pa., died here today from injuries received in a football game last Friday. He was paralyzed from the waist down after he was hurt.

## Harford Chauffeur Dropped Dead.

Harford, Conn., Oct. 28.—While attending a meeting of 1,500 strikers at a local theatre tonight, Patrick J. French, 47 years old, an unemployed chauffeur, dropped dead of heart disease.

## Condensed Telegrams

An epidemic of yellow fever is reported at Buenaventura, Colombia.

The White Star liner Baltic sailed for Liverpool with 596 passengers.

Sir Bryon Mahon has taken command of the British forces in Serbia.

American Ambassador Page at London denied the report that he intended to resign.

James J. Hill, the railroad financier, has presented \$125,000 to Harvard University.

William O. Dougherty, a farmer of Hempstead, L. I., was killed when his carriage upset.

Fire destroyed St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church at Camden, N. J. The loss is \$15,000.

Ogden Mills of New York was elected director of the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad.

The Scandinavian-American Line steamer Frederick Vill, arrived at New York from Copenhagen.

Another German spy was executed in London. This is the tenth spy shot in London since the war began.

Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, who is in San Francisco, has received several letters threatening his life.

A South Australian 5 per cent. conversion loan amounting to \$10,000,000 is being offered in London at 99.

The International Association of Dairy & Milk Inspectors opened their annual convention at Washington.

John S. Enzor, of Baltimore, republican candidate for state senator, was struck and killed by a trolley car.

Ambassador Gerard to Germany refused to comment on his talk with the Kaiser and Foreign Minister von Jagow.

Speaker Clark has been invited to confer with President Wilson before Congress convenes for the next session.

Twenty-two German guns, captured at Loos, were exhibited by the British at the Horse Guards parade in London.

Charles T. Granger, former chief justice of the Iowa Supreme Court, died at Long Beach, Cal. He was 89 years old.

Following last week's bombardment by the Allies fleet, most of the population of Dedegatch, Bulgaria, has fled inland.

The American ambassador to Italy, Thomas Nelson Page, has formed an Italian branch of the American Relief Clearing house.

Russia has asked Rumania to allow an army to pass through Rumanian territory to join the Anglo-French forces in Serbia.

King George will be personally represented today at the memorial services to Miss Edith Cavell, the British nurse, at St. Paul's.

At least 170 persons were killed and 300 injured in the typhoon in southern China. The property loss is estimated at \$1,000,000.

The racing yacht Germania, which on two occasions won the America's Cup at Cowes, was condemned in British prize court.

About \$500,000 worth of ore is held at the Chihuahua, Mexico, plant of the American Smelting & Refining Co., confiscated by Gen. Villa.

The Panama National Assembly was convened in extraordinary session to consider the authorization of a \$1,250,000 six year loan at 5 per cent.

Several hundred members of the Presbyterian synod of Baltimore, meeting at Washington, were welcomed by President Wilson at the White House.

The Assay Office in New York received \$5,000,000 in British sovereigns from England by way of Canada. The gold was consigned to J. P. Morgan & Co.

Damage estimated at \$5,000 was suffered by the Peruvian steamer Pachico when she collided with the cable steamer Retriever off the Peruvian coast.

Pope Benedict has asked Catholic bishops throughout the world to announce Sunday, Nov. 21, as a day of prayer and of offering for the benefit of the Poles.

Colonel James H. Bigger of the 18th Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guard, ordered at Pittsburgh the recruiting of 50 men to form a machine gun company.

Edward Weinacht, an American citizen, and a shipping agent, was arrested in London on a charge of trading with the enemy. He was released on \$5,000 bail.

Pope Benedict is reported to be framing a protest against the attack of an Austrian aeroplane on Venice in which the famous Scala Church was damaged by a bomb.

Ambassador Gerard at Berlin was directed by the State Department to use his good offices in behalf of 30 persons court-martialed at Liege, Belgium, for alleged military offences.

Miss Edith Benham, daughter of Rear Admiral Benham, retired, was appointed social secretary at the White House. She succeeds Miss Isabel Hagner, who has resigned to marry.

Captain L. E. Cogdon and the 35 officers and crew of the Mallory Liner Coleridge abandoned off the coast of Carolina coast in a burning condition, arrived at Baltimore on the steamship Swanee.

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## Twenty-One Pupils Perish in Fire

AT ST. JOHN'S PAROCHIAL SCHOOL, PEABODY, MASS

600 IN THE BUILDING

Panic Seized the Pupils Near the Front Door in Their Rush to Escape—Bodies Blocked Exit—Mother Superior Seriously Burned.

Peabody, Mass., Oct. 28.—Twenty-one children, most of them girls ranging in age from 7 to 17 years, lost their lives today in a fire which destroyed St. John's parochial school. Another girl has injuries which are regarded as probably fatal, while others were less severely hurt.

## Bodies Blocked Exit.

The 600 children in the building had hardly seated themselves for the morning session when the fire was discovered and although most of them were guided to safety by Sisters of the Order of Notre Dame, who were their

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## NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS

Organized at Chicago to Do Away with the Middleman.

Chicago, Oct. 28.—The first national conference of producers and consumers, organized for the purpose of eliminating the middleman and his profits, was